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C O N F I D E N T I A L KATHMANDU 3138

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM, NP  
SUBJECT: GANESH MAN SINGH GRANTED MEDICAL PAROLE

REF: KATHMANDU 2848

1. PRESS ANNOUNCED JUNE 19 THAT GANESH MAN SINGH, WHO WAS CO-DEFENDANT WITH B.P. KOIRALA IN ONE OF FIVE CASES HEARD LAST FEBRUARY/MARCH, HAD BEEN RELEASED ON PAROLE FOR MEDICAL REASONS. GANESH MAN, WHO LIKE B.P. HAD BEEN ACQUITTED BY SPECIAL TRIBUNAL, HAS CONTINUED IN CUSTODY PENDING OUTCOME OF REVIEW/APPEAL PROCESS (REFTEL AND PREVIOUS). PRESS OVER PAST SEVERAL MONTHS HAS CARRIED NUMBER OF REPORTS THAT SINGH WAS NOT IN GOOD HEALTH. PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT OF PAROLE STATES DOCTORS HAVE CONCLUDED THAT GANESH MAN IS "UNWELL AND THAT HIS MEDICAL EXAMINATION IS NOT POSSIBLE IN KINGDOM". FOR THIS REASON PAROLE WAS RECOMMENDED TO KING WHO CONCURRED, LEAVING SINGH FREE TO SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION ACCORDING TO HIS CHOICE. PRESS REPORT MAKES CLEAR THAT CONSIDERATION OF GOVERNMENT'S APPEAL OF LOWER COURT ACQUITTAL CONTINUES--I.E. THAT, WHILE PAROLE GRANTED, GANESH MAN CONTINUES TO FACE JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

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2. COMMENT: QUESTION IS WHY GOVERNMENT CHOSE THIS TIME TO GRANT PAROLE. WHILE WE WILL BE INQUIRING FURTHER OF VARIOUS SOURCES, OUR INITIAL INCLINATION IS TO TAKE GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCEMENT AT FACE VALUE. JUST AS GOVERNMENT DOCTORS APPARENTLY CONLUDED THAT TIME HAD COME LAST FEBRUARY THAT B.P. KOIRALA NEEDED OUTSIDE MEDICAL ATTENTION, SO WE EXPECT HAS SIMILAR CONCLUSION

BEEN REACHED IN CASE OF GANESH MAN SINGH. IF INTENT HAD  
BEEN PRIMARILY TO PLACATE "OPPOSITION", ACTION COULD HAVE  
BEEN TAKEN WEEKS AGO. AND WE HAVE BEEN NO INDICATION OF  
RECENT INCREASED PRESSURE TO WHICH GON MIGHT HAVE FELT  
COMPELLED TO BOW. IN SHORT, WE SEE GOVERNMENT STANCE  
AS CONTINUING TO BE ONE OF LETTING NORMAL NEPALESE  
JUDICIAL PROCEDURES AND PRACTICES PREVAIL, MAKING  
EXCEPTION ONLY WHEN SPECIAL FACTORS INTERVENE -- E.G.  
THE HEALTH FIRST OF B.P. AND NOW OF GANESH MAN.  
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